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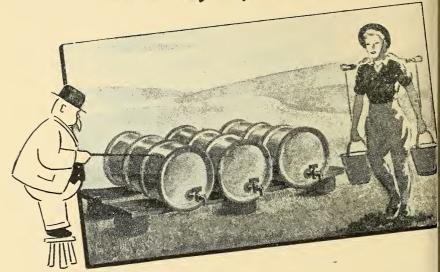


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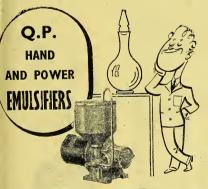


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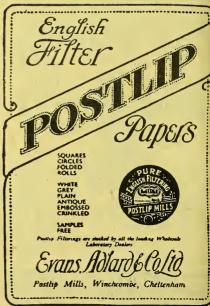
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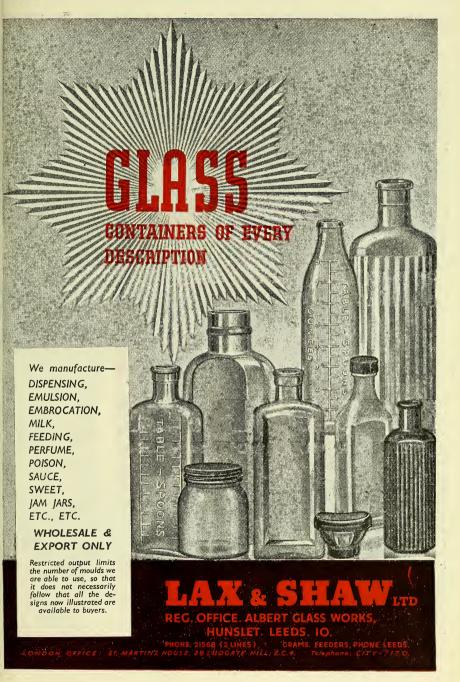
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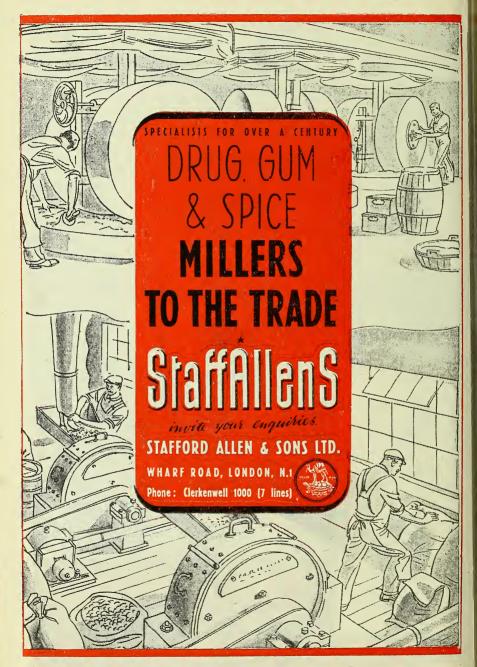
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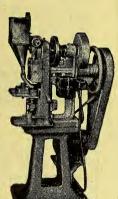
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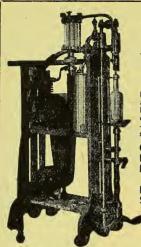


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NEWS OF THE WEEK

Retail Pharmacy National Joint Inustrial Council.—The Ministry of Labour nnounces the formation and constitution f a Retail Pharmacy National Joint ndustrial Council. Details are given on 597 of this issue.

Organisation of Employed Pharmacists.— In important statement on the organisation of employed pharmacists has been issued by the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain and is published on p. 586 of this ssue.

Licences Revoked.—The Minister of Food has revoked, as from December 1, 1943, he licences granted under the Food (Retriction on Dealings) Order, 1941, the Oileeds, Vegetable Oils and Fats and Marine Dils (Control) Order, 1939, and the Animal Dils and Fats (Provisional Control) Order, 1939, to Shaws' Veterinary Products, Ltd.

Permits for Alarm Clocks.—The Board of Trade, after consultation with the Trades Union Congress and British Employers' Confederation, has decided to grant buying permits for alarm clocks, so

far as supplies allow, to workpeople whose employment makes it necessary for them to rise between midnight and 5 a.m., who do not already possess an alarm clock, and who have no other means of being called early. Applications by eligible workers should be made to the nearest branch secretary of the appropriate trade union.

New "Pay-as-you-earn" Regulations. In preparation for the introduction of 'pay-as-you-earn' income tax in April 1944, new regulations have been made by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue. Employers are now required to send to the inspector of taxes particulars of all employees leaving or taken on, if they earn more than £2 per week. The information must be given within ten days of the event, and a supply of forms for the purpose is being sent to employers. Anyone who employs a person earning more than £2 per week and has not already made the usual employer's return of salaries and wages and sent it to the inspector of taxes must notify the inspector by December 16 whether or not tax is being deducted. The

same regulations also provide for the continuance of existing tax deductions until next April. Full particulars may be found in S. R. & O., 1943, No. 1669, published by H.M. Stationery Office, Kingsway; London, W.C.2, price one penny.

Patulin Toxicity.—The dose of patulin which, when injected subcutaneously or intravenously into a 20-gm. mouse, is lethal, is 0.5 mgm., and not as stated in a recent article.

Dentists Restored.—The General Medical Council has instructed the registrar of the Dental Board to restore the names of John Donaldson and Edwin Spencer Tebbutt.

Manchester Stalingrad Donation.—A fund, organised by Mr. W. E. Phillipson, M.P.S., on behalf of the medical branch, North-west Region, Scientific Workers' Association, has now been closed by the handing over of a sum of £8 towards the cost of a hospital laboratory at Stalingrad.

Address on Commodity Controls.—Mr. H. Noble, B.Pharm., addressed members of the Edgware section of the North London Pharmaceutical Association, recently, on "War-time Commodity Controls." He declared that the authorities placed great confidence in the integrity of pharmacists in applying these orders.

In the Courts.—At Portsmouth City police court on December 3, Convoy Products, Ltd. (now in voluntary liquidation), were fined £10 and two guineas costs for an offence under the Food and Drugs Act, 1938. A sample of gelatin supplied by them was found by the City analyst to contain zinc, arsenic and copper compounds, whereas it was labelled "pure, edible gelatin."

Hull Red Cross Ball.—A dance in aid of the British Red Cross and St. John War Fund has been arranged by Mr. J. Lennard to take place at the Beverley Road Baths on Wednesday, December 22. Dancing will be from 7.30 p.m. to midnight. There will be two bands (one composed of American coloured "swingsters"), a cabaret, tombola, etc. Tickets, 7s. 6d.; N.C.O.'s and privates in uniform, 5s.

Christmas and New Year Holidays.—The Ministry of Labour and National Service calls attention to its recommendation on holidays included in a Government statement issued last February. It was then, and remains, the view of the Government

that, subject to the urgent demands production being met, two days' holida should be taken; i.e. either Christma Day, December 25, and Monday, December 27, or New Year's Day, January 1, 194 and Monday, January 3, 1944.

Rheumatism Treatment for Children.—At the request of the Ministry of Healt and following favourable reports of experiments carried out in the United State 200 schoolchildren in London are to be given a three-year course of treatment to discover the effects of a new drug of the sulphonamide group on children prone the treatment will be given at the country of the treatment will be given at 1944, and the children chosen will be not those actually suffering from the matism, but those who have had it.

Royal Institute of Chemistry.-At Mar chester, recently, Professor Alexande Findlay (president of the Institute) gave a address on "The Institute and the Post-wa World." Professor Findlay said that chemists were to give their services to th community, their economic position an legal interests ought to be safeguarded.-At Edinburgh, recently, Dr. Hugh Nisbe (chemistry department), Heriot-Watt Co lege, Edinburgh) spoke on "The Ration alisation of Technical Training." He urge that recruits for work as chemical assistant in industry should have preliminary educa tion up to University entrance standard.

Supplies Limitation Returns.—The Boar of Trade has issued an Order dated December 6, 1943 (S.R. & O., 1943, No. 1637 requiring every person whose name was at July 31, 1943, entered in the home tradregister, to make a return on Form Misc. 13 showing, inter alia, the value of controlle goods supplied by him during the standar period (June 1, 1939, to May 31, 1940) and during the restriction period (February 1 July 31, 1943). A copy of the appropriat form is being sent to each person concerned but any trader who has not received his copy by December 15 should apply for on to the Chief Accountant, Board of Trad (Miscellaneous Section), North Gate, Princ Albert Road, London, N.W.8. Application should not be made before that date.

Dublin Chemists' Rugby Football.—The Chemists' Rugby Club in Dublin is one of the most active and flourishing clubs in the city. During November it beat Blackrock College by 29 points to nil, and drew with North Kildare at 6 points each. Fixture for December: 5, v. Mungret College Past at Donnybrook; 12, v. Bray L.D.F. a

onnybrook; 19, v. Skerries at Skerries. ecently the club held a dance which was tended by over 600 patrons, including essrs. F. X. Meagher (president of the ub); D. O'Leary (captain), P. C. Cahill, C. O'Neill, D. Mulvey (vice-captain), and Mr. J. J. Tierney (treasurer). The club still in need of new members, and any ersons wishing to join, whether in the tail or wholesale sections of pharmacy, and communicate with Mr. D. O'Leary, oo Roche's Pharmacy, Upper O'Connell reet, Dublin, or Mr. J. J. Tierney, 69 pper Dorset Street, Dublin.

Chemotherapy Research in Liverpool.—he forty-fourth annual report of the iverpool School of Tropical Medicine cords progress in work on chemotherapy, chieved with the co-operation of the ledical Research Council, Imperial Chemal Industries, Ltd., and May & Baker, td. Professor Yorke and Dr. Fulton xamined the activity of a number of ew drugs against various protozoal infectors, and extended their observations on lasmoquine-resistance in malaria infections of monkeys. The increased toxicity



Ving-Commander Hack (Edward Hack, Ltd., London) presenting the Hack trophy to cadets of the Cambridge Jaiversity Air Squadron, winners of the initial training ving examinations for members of University air quadrons.

of stilbamidine and related compounds on exposure to light, as well as the alterations in therapeutic activity, was also investigated. Dr. Lourie and Dr. Collier were investigating the fate, in the blood and cerebrospinal fluid respectively, of intravenously injected drugs effective, or likely to be effective, against sleeping sickness: They studied the possibility that increased use of mepacrine for malaria might complicate the epidemiology of sleeping sickness in Africa by giving rise to strains of trypanosome resistant to arsenicals, concluding that the danger might be dismissed as negligible. Studies were proceeding on the action of drugs against the parasite of kala-azar, and it had been found that the diamidines, introduced to the treatment of kala-azar as a result of work at the School, were more lethal to the parasites in vitro than the antimonials

Toilet Preparations.—The following will be the rates at which registered manufacturers who receive Board of Trade licences to manufacture and supply toilet preparations will normally be permitted to supply controlled goods for the period January 1 to June 30, 1944—

1. Registered manufacturers participating in approved concentration schemes will be permitted under licence to supply 37½ per cent. by value of their supplies of controlled goods of their own manufacture in the standard period, i.e., June 1, 1030, to May 31, 1040.

ard period, i.e., June 1, 1939, to May 31, 1940.

2. Registered manufacturers not in approved concentration schemes will be permitted to supply 16\frac{2}{3} per cent. of their supplies of controlled goods of their own manufacture in the standard period.

The above rates of licensing will apply to all controlled toilet preparations including powder. There will be no separate powder licences. But no registered manufacturer will, as the result of the changed rates of licensing, receive a licence proportionately smaller than that which was received during the current restriction period. Manufacturers are reminded—

I. That no supply may be made other than in those goods which are named in the licence.

2. That such supply may be only in the weights or volumes named in respect of these goods.

3. That the prices named for these goods are the minimum prices which shall count against the licence.

4. That manufacture may take place only at the addresses named in the licences.

Manufacturers will not be required to apply for fresh licences; these will be issued covering the lines which manufacturers are now licensed to supply.

PARLIAMENTARY NEWS

Cost of Raw Materials .- Mr. A. Edwards asked the Minister of Health on December 2 whether he was aware that materials used for treatment of special diseases prescribed by doctors under the National Health Insurance Act were exorbitantly priced and, in one case, rose from f1 10s. to f30 a ton; and whether he would take steps to have such materials prepared under Government control at the minimum cost. Miss Horsbrugh in reply said that if the question related particularly to pancreas glands used in making insulin, she was informed that the price of these glands was now slightly less than in 1922, though considerably higher than at the outbreak of war. The price of the raw material had only a slight effect on the price of insulin itself, which had fallen very much since insulin was introduced in 1923, and was not now much higher than before the war.

Restarting Closed Businesses. - Major Proctor asked the President of the Board of Trade on November 30 whether he was aware that a shopkeeper closing his business after October 23, 1941, does not require a licence to restart on the same lines as previously, nor does a trader who closed down between December 1, 1940, and the said date in October, whereas a trader who closed down between September 3, 1939, and December 1, 1940, must apply for a licence to resume; and whether, when the last-named closures were due to war circumstances, he would place them on the same footing as the other two. Mr. Dalton, in reply, said the basic period December 1, 1940, to October 23, 1941, was fixed after very careful consideration. He had received no request from any representative body of traders for the change proposed by his hon. and gallant friend, and he should not feel justified in the circumstances in making it.

Patulin.—Colonel Evans asked the Minister of Health on December 2 whether he had any information to convey to the House concerning patulin; and whether the drug was being tested on a large scale. Miss Horsbrugh, in reply, referred to Press articles on patulin, and said the Medical Research Council had accepted an invitation to undertake the organisation of controlled clinical trials on a considerable scale; arrangements were in hand for instituting these immediately. For the time being the use of patulin in the treatment of the common cold must be regarded as still in the experimental stage. The preliminary trials

had not given consistent results, althous some had been promising, and it was u certain what value the drug would event ally prove to have. It would necessari take some months to collect adequa information on this point, and as to the best methods of administration, prop dosage, and conditions under which the drug could be used with safety. It would I inadvisable to make patulin generally available until there was sufficient evidence of these questions.

ORGANISATION OF EMPLOYED PHARMACISTS

The following statement has been issued to publication by the Pharmaceutical Societ of Great Britain:—

Some time ago, the Council of the Societ called a conference of individuals an representatives of bodies concerned with o interested in the question of the organisa tion of employed pharmacists. The object of this was to see whether the Society coul be of assistance in facilitating the bette organisation of employed pharmacists. number of meetings were held, at which the situation was thoroughly examined, and the Council in due course submitted thei conclusions to the conference. In formulat ing these conclusions the Council took into account such factors as the existence o trade unions accepting pharmacists a members, the reasons why pharmacist have not joined existing trade unions in greater numbers, and the prospects o establishing a trade union for pharmacists in the light of past experience and the present situation. Subsequently consulta tions have taken place between the Associa tion of Scientific Workers, the Shop Assistants' Union, and the National Union of Distributive and Allied Workers, as a result of which an agreement has been reached between the three bodies whereby they will co-operate, and the Association of Scientific Workers will be in a position to recruit pharmacists employed in the retail practice of pharmacy as well as those engaged in other sections of pharmacy, subject to recognition of the interests of the other unions. It is felt that this agreement provides more favourable conditions for the development of trade union organisation among pharmacists than have hitherto existed, and it is hoped that advantage will be taken of the opportunities these conditions present.

TOPICAL REFLECTIONS

Democracy Functioning

Mrs. Irvine's thoughtful address at Aberdeen (p. 568) raises more than one mportant question. The paragraph headed Conditions for Democratic Working" is of special interest for its diagnosis of the elation between members of the Pharnaceutical Society and their Council. As Mrs. Irvine justly pointed out, an nstitution "may be democratically contituted without any guarantee that it will unction democratically." The responsibiity of each member of the Society for some share in determining its policy is not essened by the tendency, of which we have nad indications, to increase the proportion of nominated members in the Council. New councillors of this class might well be less familiar with the needs of pharmacy than their elected colleagues were, and less disposed, accordingly, to give due weight to resolutions sent from conferences or branch meetings. In that event the timelag referred to by the speaker might become so accentuated as to prejudice the taking of effective action when action was called for. This possibility gives emphasis to the duty of voting at Council elections. British pharmacy has of late years had the anomalous feature that whereas a considerable number of resolutions-in no way binding on the Council-is submitted at the annual branch representatives' meetings of the Society, councillors have been elected by derisively small numbers of voters. This is an old complaint, and the remedy is obvious.

Shops and Premises

The High Court decision, reported on p. 573, is, if I may venture so to describe it, good law and good sense. The Court was asked to say that a market stall consisting of a board and two trestles is a shop or premises: its decision was in the negative. As will be seen in your report, the definition of "shop" in the Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941, is taken from the Shops Act, 1912. What is comprised in the words "any premises"? A mathematician deeply versed in Professor Einstein's second theory of relativity might be able to conceive of a stall, a Punch-and-Judy show, and various other "transient and embarrassed phantoms" as falling within the scope of one algebraic formula; but a legal definition is another matter. The learned judge who delivered the decision of the Court characterised the

stall in the case as having "no continuity or regularity except that it is there twice a week." Even that limited degree of continuity or regularity is, I presume, subject to the state of health or the pleasure of the proprietor: on any market day it might be found that he had folded his tent "like the Arabs, and as silently [stolen] away." It is worth recalling that in the administration of the Medicines Stamp Acts the Board of Customs and Excise refused to recognise movable stalls as premises, and that in 1912 and 1913 fines were imposed in respect of sales of dutiable medicines in market places.

Chelsea Pensioner

In an address on proprietary medicines at a recent meeting at Stoke-on-Trent (p. 558), it was suggested that Chelsea Pensioner was "probably the first of its kind." The history of this confection was explored by Mr. A. C. Wootton in his "Chronicles of Pharmacy"; he left the possibility of its ever having been a proprietary article an open question. The origin of the name and that of the formula have never been ascertained, so far as I an aware. The Chelsea Royal Hospital for old and disabled soldiers was founded by Charles II in 1682, and was opened in 1694. At one time a legend was in circulation to the effect that a Chelsea pensioner gave the accepted recipe, or one resembling it, to Lord Amherst, and that he was rewarded with a sum of money and an annuity. This and other stories were investigated, with results mainly negative, by The Chemist and Druggist in 1896. Medical authorities and the secretary of the Hospital were appealed to, but could add little to what was already known about the usual type of formula (now appearing in the British Pharmaceutical Codex as confectio guaiaci composita). Some London hospitals have adopted or evolved formulas containing additional or alternative ingredients-for instance, mustard. In 1863 a former medical officer of the Hospital, Dr. Daniel Maclachlan, mentioned the remedy (in "Diseases and Infirmities of Old Age") in the same sentence as the Duke of Portland's gout powder, which dates back to the eighteenth century: both were regarded by him as obsolete. Wootton concluded that the confection became widely known between 1811 and 1824, and suggested that it might be of Dutch origin. Xrayser

LEGAL REPORTS

Addiction Decision Postponed.—Bath magistrates, at the resumed hearing, recently, of charges against the matron of a local nursing home of unlawfully procuring morphine (see C. & D., November 6, p. 456), adjourned their decision for three months, provided in the meantime she observed eight specified conditions. These included continuance under medical attention, refusal to accept patients requiring dangerous drugs, and notifying medical practitioners within a radius of ten miles.

Pharmacy Act Prosecutions.-At Manchester City Police Court, on November 29. Edward Tomlinson, grocer, Hyde Road, Ardwick, Manchester, was fined £8, plus analyst's and advocate's fees, for selling a poisonous substance (codeine) contained in Famel syrup, not being a registered seller of poisons and not having his name and address on the label on the bottle. The stipendiary magistrate said it might be true that Tomlinson did not realise at first that the preparation contained a poisonous drug, but he had not disposed of the goods to a chemist as advised.—At Worthing Police Court, on November 24, Desmond L. Day, 63 Chapel Road, was fined £5 on each of two summonses of selling a poison in a container not labelled in the prescribed manner, and of being an unauthorised person selling poison.

Alleged Black Market Activities.—At Bolton Police Court, on November 26, a sentence of four months' imprisonment was imposed on Charles Edward Robinson, a chemist's assistant, Sefton Street, Southport, for supplying nail-varnish which did not bear the name of the manufacturer or repacker. Police-constable Oswald Cunliffe was fined £10 and costs for aiding and abetting. Both defendants pleaded not guilty and an appeal has been lodged by Robinson, The Bench expressed the opinion that . Robinson had "dabbled in black market activities." It was alleged that Robinson offered for sale, to a man who communicated with the police, ten barrels of "sub-turpentine," one ton of petroleum jelly, and twenty gross bottles of nail-varnish, brilli-antine, lavender, etc. An order for goods to the value of £3,000 was placed on instructions from the police, the value of the nailvarnish being £216. For Robinson it was claimed that it had not been proved that the varnish was supplied in the course of his business. Robinson himself, the son of a chemical manufacturer, said he had never sold nail-varnish to anyone.

COMPANY NEWS

LINCOMB HALL (HARTLEBURY), LTD.— (P.C.).—Capital £100. Farmers, veterinary chemists, etc. Thomas H. and Hilda Murray-Watson, directors. Solicitors: Hooper & Fairbairn, I Priory Street, Dudley, Worcs.

Carbonel Processes, Ltd.—(P.C.).—Registered in Edinburgh. Capital £3,000. Consultants and advisers in respect of chemical and engineering processes, etc. Directors not named. R.O.: 121 Bath Street, Glasgow.

H. WHISTLER, LTD. (P.C.)—Capital £2,000. To acquire the business of a chemist carried on by Harold Whistler at 15 Carter Gate, Newark-on-Trent, Nottingham. Harold Whistler, M.P.S., and Frances A. M. Whistler, directors.

Parke's Pharmacy, Ltd. (P.C.).—Registered in Belfast. Capital £1,000. Chemists, druggists, etc. Mrs. A., Miss A. P., Miss M. P. Parke, John J. Cowdy, and Bertie B. Morrison, directors. R.O.: 9 Bridge Street, Banbridge.

Anglo-Continental Trade & Industry Development Co., Ltd. (P.C.).—Capital £100. Manufacturers of chemical preparations, etc. Directors to be appointed. R.O.: 43 Sloane Street, London, S.W.I.

TUFF INDUSTRIES (CHEMICALS), LTD. (P.C.).—Capital £100. Manufacturers of and dealers in chemicals, drugs, disinfectants, toilet requisites, etc. William C. L. Teale and Francis H. Uff, directors. R.O.: 377 Nether Street, London, N.3.

Adamson-Horsehay Association, Ltd.—(P.C.).—Capital £1,000. Manufacturers of chemical plant, etc. G. R. and Joseph Adamson, J. C. Bignall, H. E. Colesworthy, A. V. Flinn, J. W. Hodgson, T. L. Massey, and J., H. and A. H. Simpson, directors. Solicitors: Pinsent & Co., Birmingham.

Faculty of Homeopathy.—Company limited by guarantee without share capital. To advance and extend the principles and practice of homeopathy, and to take over all or part of the real and personal property and liabilities of the unincorporated "British Homeopathic Society," etc. R.O.: London Homeopathic Hospital, Great Ormond. Street, London, W.C.I.

BEECHAMS PILLS, LTD.—Directors have declared a second interim dividend on the deferred shares of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. for the year ending March 31, 1944. This brings the total distribution to date up to 15 per cent.

TRADE MARKS

om "The Trade Marks Journal," November 3) [CORRECTED NOTE]

lon-Miroir"; for non-medicated toilet preparations, perfumes, etc. (3). By Coty (England), Ltd., 3 Stratford Place, London, W.I. 624,195.

om "The Trade Marks Journal," November 17)

INDERMA"; for pharmaceutical prepara-tions for treatment of the skin (5). By

624,630.

IAUCONA"; for pharmaceutical preparations for human and veterinary use, sanitary substances and disinfectants (5). By Hauer & Co., Ltd., Shaddongate, Carlisle. 624,750

(Associated).

ULMANYDE"; for preparations for treatment of genito-urinary complaints (5). By Watford Chemical Co., Ltd., 11 Waterloo Place,

London, S.W.1. 625,209.

Brand's Essence" on strip label with direc-Brand & Co., Ltd., 72-84 South Lambeth Road, London, S.W.8. 623,942 (Associated).

rom "The Trade Marks Journal," November 24)

101"; for non-medicated toilet prepara-tions (3). By Coty (England), Ltd., 3 Stratford Place, London, W.I. 624,194 (Associated).

(Associated).

Anjer"; for perfumery and non-medicated toilet preparations (3). By D. S. Badwal & Co., Westview, Skiddaw Road, Marton,

Blackpool. 624,835.\
EARSON" and "PEARSON'S"; for disinfectants, insecticides, etc. (5). By Pearson's Antiseptic Co., Ltd., 172 Buckingham Palace Road, London, S.W.I. 619,398-99 (Associated).

UROSAN"; for disinfectants (5). By Pritchards, Ltd., 2 Bulkeley Road, Cheadle,

Cheshire. 623,640 (Associated).

UTRAMIGEN"; for infants' and invalids' foods, and for dietetic foods (5). By Mead, Johnson & Co., Ohio Street, Evansville, Indiana, U.S.A. 623,808.

PARTAN" on label device incorporating sprays and diamond shape; for inserticides (5).

and diamond shape; for insecticides (5). By H. L. Tucker & Co., Wycliffe Road, Urmston, nr. Manchester. 624,226. Hosphaljel"; for pharmaceutical preparations of aluminium phosphate (5). By John Warth & Brether 1914.

Wyeth & Brother, Ltd., Oldhill Street, London, N.16. B624,312. Procus"; for pharmaceutical preparations for the eyes (5). By Brook, Parker & Co., Ltd., Ashfield, Horton Road, Bradford.

624,401.

024,401. ORIZON"; for all goods (5) except infants', invalids' and dietetic foods, medicated sweetmeats, sanitary clothing and menstruation appliances. By Koray, Ltd., 56 Gamage Building, Holborn, London, E.C.1.

624,484. OSSIPA"; for pharmaceutical preparations

and substances (5). By A. Wander, Ltd., 184 Queen's Gate, London, S.W.7. 624,366. "WALTIC"; for pharmaceutical substances for human and veterinary use, sanitary sub-stances, plasters, bandaging material, disstances, plasters, bandaging material, disinfectants and weed and vermin destroyers (5). By N. Whalley, 132 Upperthorpe, Sheffield, 6. 624,541.

"Aeris"; for inhalers (10). By Silten, Ltd., 14 Weedington Road, London, N.W.5.

624,844 (Associated).
"MINAROIDS"; for medicinal preparations and pharmaceutical preparations and substances (5). By Bleasdale, Ltd., 23 Colliergate, York. 624,629.

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, December 11

EAST MIDLANDS BRANCH, GUILD OF PUBLIC PHARMACISTS, Nottingham General Hospital, Park Row, at 3 p.m. Mr. R. H. Henriksen (vice-president), on "The Constitution and Purpose of the Guild."

Sunday, December 12

MANCHESTER PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. Ramble to Middlewood, Poynton and Disley. Meet London Road Station, 10.5 a.m. Book Disley return.

LIVERPOOL BRANCH, CATHOLIC PHARMACEU-TICAL GUILD, Cathedral Buildings, 152 Brownlow Hill, at 3 p.m. Mr. T. F. Davies (probation officer, Liverpool, and secretary, Lourdes Hospital), on "Juvenile Delinquency." Benediction will follow.

Monday, December 13

ROMFORD BRANCH, PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY, Market room, Golden Lion Hotel, Romford, at 7.30 p.m. Mr. R. Forgan, M.C., M.D., on "How to Live to be a Hundred."

Tuesday, December 14

ROYAL SOCIETY OF ARTS, John Adam Street, Adelphi, London, W.C.2, at 1.45 p.m. Mr. G. Martin, D.Sc., on "Competitive Rubber Plants."

Leicester & Leicestershire Branch, Phar-MACEUTICAL SOCIETY, AND LEICESTER SOCIETY OF CHEMISTS, College of Technology, at 7 p.m. Joint meeting. Mr. W. J. Dyke, Ph.D., M.Sc., on "Sulphonamides."

Thursday, December 16

GUILD OF PUBLIC PHARMACISTS, 17 Bloomsbury Square London, W.C.I, at 7 p.m. Film: "The Technique of the Irrigation Envelope Treatment."

Saturday, December 18

Association for Scientific Photography, and Scientific and Technical Group of the Royal Photographic Society, 16 Prince's Gate, London, S.W.7, at 2.30 p.m. Display of scientific photographic apparatus. Non-members admitted on production of invitation card signed by member.

TRADE NOTES

Again Available.—Hommel's Hæmatogen & Drug Co., 121 Norwood Road, Herne Hill, London, S.E.24, state that supplies of Hommel's Hæmatogen blood-forming tonic are again available.

Correction.—International Foot Appliances, Ltd., 92 Baker Street, London, W.I, point out that their telephone number was incorrectly given in an advertisement in last week's issue of the C. & D. The correct number is Welbeck 8911.

Beverage Powders.—Santiago Neuhofer, II Brushfield Street, London, E.I., has now available for distribution limited supplies of highly concentrated lemon-flavoured and orange-flavoured beverage powders in 3-oz. jars. Orders are being executed in strict rotation.

Floral Bases.—Penhaligon's, Ltd., manufacturing perfumers, 25 Bury Street, St. James's, London, S.W.I, offer a range of floral compounds and bases to manufacturers of cosmetics, including Eros, which is described as an "ultra-modern product in step with the present vogue."

Reduced Prices.—Roche Products, Ltd., Welwyn Garden City, Herts, announce substantial reductions in prices of Prostigmin tablets, as follows:—Bottles of twenty, 6s. 8d., 6os. doz.; 100's, 30s., 27os. doz.; 250's, 68s., 612s. doz. (exempt from tax). The tablets are being charged to chemists at the new rates as from November 29, coming into operation to the medical profession and public on January 3, 1944.

Price Lists.—Moore Medicinal Products, Ltd., 7 Bon Accord Square, Aberdeen, have produced a 12-page price list of their pharmaceutical specialities. Copies will be sent to chemists who apply for them, enclosing a penny stamp.—Ward, Blenkinsop & Co., Ltd., Brooklands, Halewood, Liverpool, have issued a 36-page quarto price list of fine and pharmaceutical chemicals. The list is handsomely produced on art paper between limp boards, and includes useful notes on a number of the products listed.

Temporary Suspensions.—Bob Martin, Ltd., Southport, Lancs, have suspended for the time being the 1s. 11d. size of their condition-powder tablets and the 1s. 6d. size of Tibs cat powders. Dealers will be notified when production of these sizes is resumed.—Northam Warren, Ltd., London, state that, in accordance with the Toilet Preparations (No. 3) Order, the distribution

of Cutex liquid polish and polish removeased on October 31, and that any stocheld by retailers must be disposed before the end of December in the curreyear.

Prevention of Sepsis.—Products nev introduced by May & Baker, Ltd., a distributed by Pharmaceutical Specialit (May & Baker), Ltd., Dagenham, inclu Propamidine jelly and cream. Propamidi is one of a series of aromatic diamidir synthesised in the company's laboratori and is claimed to possess antibacter properties which are not inhibited by possess fluids, or para-aminobenzoic acount of the jelly is available in 4-oz. and 16-og jars, and the cream, which is consider more suitable for first-aid application, 4-oz. jars.

Business Changes

FASSETT & JOHNSON (IRELAND), LT (manager, Mr. Ernest D. Attwooll), ha moved to 6 Crow Street, Dublin.

MR. A. R. CLITHEROW, M.P.S., has made application to the Price Regulation Committee (North-Western Region) for a licent to carry on a retail pharmaceutical busine at 11 Page Moss Parade, Roby, n Liverpool.

FLEMING, REID & Co., LTD., Greenocl have applied for a licence under the Locatio of Retail Businesses Order, to open business at 189 Cowcaddens Street, Glagow, which will include the sale of drug and medicines.

In consequence of representations mad to them by British Insecticides, Ltd London, W.2, who have been in busines under that title since 1927, the Britis Insecticide Co., 9 Paddington, Liverpool have changed their name to RODMIL CHEMICAL CO.

Proprietary Articles Trade Association

Alterations to Protected List.—E. Griffiths Hughes, Ltd. Wex saline, 4-oz., 16s. 6d doz., tax 2s. 9d. doz., inclusive retail price, 2s. 8-oz., 28s. doz., tax 4s. 8d. doz., i.r.p. 3s. 4d. subject to usual quantity terms. 9½d. size unchanged.

Eli Lilly & Co., Ltd. Purchase tax adjustments: Cevalin brand vitamin-C tablet, No. 1585, 100's, 4s., 33s. 7d. doz. (exempt). Gentianviolet jelly, 1-0z., ointment No. 3o, hamamelis compound, 1-0z., and Trisomin brand magnesium trisilicate, 40's, 16s. 1od. doz., tax 2s. 9½d. doz., i.r.p. 2s. 3d.

MARRIAGES

WATSON—SHEARER.—At Glasgow, on vember 30, Daniel Lothian Watson, P.S., 2308 Paisley Road West, to Elizah Shearer, Pollokshields.

DEATHS

AKAM.—On November 2, Mr. Arthur am, Ph.C., 13 Great Hampton Street, mingham. Mr. Akam qualified in 1892 1 passed the Pharmaceutical Chemist amination the following year.

DAVIES.—On November 4, Mr. John vies, M.P.S. 119 Railton Road, Herne ll, London, S.E.24, aged eighty.

LAUDER.—Recently, Dr. Alexander uder, F.I.C., F.R.S.E., formerly head of chemistry department, Edinburgh and st of Scotland Agricultural College.

Lauder, in conjunction with Professor

J. Dobbie, F.R.S., investigated the caloids of *Corydalis cava*, working out eir constitution. He had served on the uncils of the Institute of Chemistry and e Society of Chemical Industry, and was airman of the Edinburgh branches of the nemical Society and the Institute of nemistry. He retired in 1936.

LIVESEY.—In London, on November 29, r. Geoffrey H. Livesey, a former president the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, cretary of the National Veterinary edical Association, editor of the "Veterary Record," and a member of the Council the Royal Veterinary College.

MITCHELL.—On November 24, Mr. Harold litchell, 56 Woodgrange Road, London, 27, aged eighty-two. Mr. Mitchell qualified a chemist and druggist in 1881. He was or forty-nine years in business at Woodrange Road, and was the first president of he West Ham Chemists' Association as well as one of the original members of the local Insurance Committee.

POUSTIE.—At Devon House, Galapark Road, Galashiels, on November 30, Mrs. Adelina Hobkirk Poustie, widow of the ate Mr. James H. Poustie, M.P.S., Galahiels.

Potts.—On November 22, Mr. Edwin Potts, O.B.E., secretary of the National Association of Insurance Committees, Clerk to the Durham County Insurance Committee from its inception in 1912, and secretary of the North of England Joint Insurance (Prescription) Committee. At the funeral on November 25, pharmacy was

represented by Messrs. W. Forster (Durham Pharmaceutical Committee) and T. Melrose (Durham Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society).

Reeve.—On November 13, Miss Winifred Alice Reeve, Ph.C., 83 South Bank, Lillington, Leamington Spa, aged forty-five.

RICHARDSON.—At Hurstpierpoint, on December 3, Mrs. Mary Richardson, widow of Mr. Benjamin Richardson (formerly a director of Thos. Christy & Co., Ltd.).

TRICK.—At Faversham, Kent, on November 17, Mr. Percival William Clement Trick, M.P.S., 16 Grantchester Road, Cambridge. Mr. Trick qualified in 1899.

WROTHWELL.—On November 20, Mr. Frederick James Hartley Wrothwell, M.P.S., 10 Market Place, Kirby Moorside, Yorks, aged seventy-one.

Young.—Recently, as the result of an accident, Mr. John Boyd Young, Maddybenny, Coleraine, brother of Mr. H. E. Young, Ph.C., The Strand, Londonderry.

PERSONALITIES

Mr. Percy Wilson, M.P.S., was recently installed W. Master of the Lodge of Truth (1458), Manchester. (Corrected note.)

Mr. Charles Walker, M.Sc., A.I.C., has been appointed manager of Sandoz Products, 134 Wigmore Street, London, W.I.

MR. HORACE COTTON, formerly hospital officer to the Manchester Corporation, has been appointed statistician to the Nuffield Trust.

ALDERMEN C. A. CRITCHLEY, Ph.C., and B. HOLDEN, M.P.S., Blackburn, have been appointed governors of Blackburn Girls' High School.

LORD WOOLTON (Minister for Reconstruction) has been appointed chairman of the executive committee of the British Red Cross Society.

MR. JOHN C. HANBURY, M.A. (Cantab.), B.Pharm. (Lond.), Ph.C., a director of Allen & Hanburys, Ltd., has been elected an Associate of the Royal Institute of Chemistry.

MR. W. Collinson, Oswaldtwistle, managing director of W. Blythe & Co., manufacturing chemists, recently presented 5s. each to all Stanhill district residents of seventy and over, and a savings stamp, value 2s. 6d., to every local child up to the age of ten.

PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAI

The monthly meeting of the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society was held in London, on November 30 and December 1. The President (Mr. W. S. Howells) welcomed Mr. W. J. Tristram, Liverpool, as a new member. He also reported the death of Mr. John B. McVitae, Glasgow (chairman of the North British Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society in 1933).

Tuesday's Session

Among the items of business transacted were the following:—

New Proprietaries

A reply was received from the Ministry of Health to the Society's letter calling attention to the undesirability of a particular new proprietary remedy being marketed. The reply stated that it was the practice of the Ministry of Supply in controlling the distribution of a scarce drug to consult the Ministry of Health and the Medical Research Council as to the relative values of the various purposes for which the drug might be used, but that the Departments would not be justified in using their emergency powers for the purpose of controlling the distribution of a drug which was plentiful. In view of the nature of the product concerned it was decided to pass the facts on to the British Medical Association for their views before taking the matter up again with the Ministry of Health.

Rat Menace

The Secretary reported the views of the Ministry of Food on the use of strychnine as a rat poison. The Ministry was satisfied it was unnecessary, and that other poisons were available in adequate amounts. Supplies of red squill now coming on the market would be maintained, subject to shipping being available.

Correspondence

Letters were received from (i) the Guild of Public Pharmacists, expressing apprehension at the substitution of pharmacists in hospital posts, and urging that care should be taken to ensure that inexperienced pharmacists or unqualified dispensers would not be suggested by the Central Pharmaceutical War Committee as substitutes for responsible pharmacists in hospitals; (ii) the National Pharmaceutical Union, forwarding a resolution from the

Executive regretting the necessity increasing the retention fee, and urgit that the increased income from this sour should be reserved for the Society's building fund. The Council referred the letter the Finance Committee and to the La Committee for consideration; and (iii) that Lancaster and Morecambe Branch, forwaring a resolution that proposals for the future pharmaceutical service should be base upon all pharmacies, and that a State service which would not operate through a pharmacies should be opposed.

Wednesday's Proceedings

Amendment of By-laws

The Council read a third time a propose amendment to the by-laws (see C. & D November 13, p. 499).

Registration

The Registrar reported that forty-nin persons had been registered as Apprentice or Students since the previous meeting. The names of sixteen persons remove during previous years and seven person removed during the current year wer restored. The addresses of two sets of premises were restored. The addresses of two sets of premises were restored. The addresses 129 sets of premises, registered unde Section 12 of the Pharmacy and Poison Act, 1933, as amended by Section 1 of th Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941, removed from the Register during the curren year, were restored.

Education

MR. P. F. Rowsell moved the minute of the Education Committee. It was agreed to invite the observations of teachers in approved institutions and of the boards of examiners for England and Wales and for Scotland upon the draft syllabuses for botany, zoology and physiology. The Council received the approval of the Privy Council for the appointment of examiners for England and Scotland during the year 1944.

Pharmacists in the Army

MR. J. T. APPLETON, moving the minutes of the Public Services Committee, on the question of pharmacy in the Army, said that it was suggested that branches should now be circularised with a request to approach their Members of Parliament, and that a pamphlet should be prepared to assist them in that work.

MR. L. M. Parry, Liverpool, asked if the uncil was going to let the matter remain their end and to put the work on to the anches, or was something positive going be done? Was the Public Service Comttee evolving a practical scheme in proaching the Army authorities in a pre-forcible way than at present?

re forcible way than at present?
MR. APPLETON replied that the Public vices Committee was endeavouring to all it could, in as forcible a manner as sible, compatible with dignity, to move Army Council from its decision. There d been a Press conference, and certain pers had given prominence to the matter. e Committee was building up a case for ultimate presentation of questions in rliament if possible, and was asking anches and members of the Society to proach their Members of Parliament, so at M.P.s would be personally acquainted th the position of pharmacists in the my when the matter was raised, possibly the House. It was not the intention of Public Services Committee to lie quietly do nothing. So far as pharmacy in the byal Air Force was concerned, it was cided, in view of an earlier reply that R.A.F. would consider the matter when War Office had replied, to approach the r Ministry again to establish a pharmaitical service similar to that advocated the Army. The Committee had received letter from pharmacists in the service the Northern Rhodesian Government ncerning their position, and it had been reed that the time was opportune to take the matter with the Colonial Office. The nutes were agreed to.

ar Aid

The total of the Society's War-aid Fund November 26 was £28,599 ios. It was reed that a Christmas gift of £10 ios. ould be sent to each of eight repatriated embers and students of the Society and the repatriated husband of a member. was agreed that the present time was propriate for a special appeal for conbutions to the Fund.

useum Recommendations

MR. A. R. MELHUISH: There was a commendation that DR. Wallis should thanked for a suggestion made in his inference address on the subject of the ciety's museum, but the Committee, ter examination, felt it was not expedient the moment to carry out the suggestions. MR. H. M. HIRST, Scarborough, said he pped that Dr. Wallis's report would not

be pigeon-holed, as he felt that pharmacognosy had been slipping down in their estimation. While other people could describe themselves as chemists they of the Society were the only people who could describe themselves as druggists. He thought that they went too much on the chemical side and not enough on the drug side. They should carefully study Dr. Wallis's recommendations, and ought to be taking active steps to train a successor.

Mr. Melhuish said that members of the Committee were as interested in the subject of pharmacognosy as was the previous

speaker.

It was agreed that Dr. Wallis should be thanked for his suggestions and informed that the Committee, having carefully examined his views, had agreed to bear them in mind in future planning.

Establishment Committee

The Council agreed to a recommendation from the Establishment Committee that an offer of ξ 1,475 annually as settlement of the Society's claim for compensation for the use by the Services Central Book Depôt of a portion of the Society's Brunswick Square premises should be accepted. The Chairman explained that the Society had asked for ξ 2,000 and been offered ξ 1,000. Mr. Rowsell had succeeded in getting the figure raised to ξ 1,475. The Secretary explained that the payment was not a rent.

MR. PARRY: What has happened to the Committee flag? We are discussing impor-

tant matters, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: Does the Council think we should discuss this in committee? (Cries

of "No."

Mr. A. A. Meldrum, Aberdeen, handed to Mr. H. M. Hirst (chairman, Benevolent Fund Committee) a cheque for £80 raised by the Aberdeen Branch for presentation to them. Members of the branch, he said, had wished to do him honour, but he handed the money on as he thought that it would do more good to the Benevolent Fund.

Mr. Hirst said he would like to endorse the views expressed by Mr. Meldrum on behalf of the chemists of Aberdeen. He would say to other members of the Society:

"Go thou and do likewise."

CLOSED ON SATURDAYS.—Advertisers and subscribers are reminded that owing to war conditions the Head Office of The Chemist and Druggist, 28 Essex Street, London, W.C.2, is closed on Saturdays until further notice. Urgent instructions relating to advertising and subscriptions should be sent to the C. & D., 17 Argyle Street, Bath, Somerset.

CASES BEFORE STATUTORY COMMITTEE

THREE cases were before the Statutory Committee of the Pharmaceutical Society at an inquiry in London on November 25.

Pharmacy Act Conviction

The first concerned a company of chemists which had been convicted in April of offences under the Pharmacy and Poisons Act, 1933, and fined a total of £15, plus a further f10 for unlawful use of the title "Chemist." The case for the Society was that for a period of approximately three weeks a number of prescriptions had been dispensed by an unqualified person—a boy —without the supervision or assistance of a registered pharmacist. This had not been before the civil Court.

Mr. W. J. C. Quarrell (solicitor for the Society) said that one of the Society's inspectors had called at a branch of the company, found a boy aged about seventeen in charge, and purchased from him a bottle of O.R.U. mixture, containing morphine. At a later date she purchased from the same person a bottle of Castellan cough mixture, containing morphine, and on a further visit bought a package of Anestan tablets, containing ephredine. On each occasion there had been no one in the shop but the boy. The poisons register was found to contain only one entry in two months: that was for 64 minims tincture of belladonna sold by the boy on December 2. In the prescription book were fifteen prescriptions stated by the boy to have been dispensed by him without supervision. Other prescriptions had been dispensed when there was no registered chemist in charge.

Replying to the chairman, the inspector said the boy admitted he was not a registered chemist, and stated he had been in the employ of the company for eighteen months, but a registered apprentice for only

three months.

The Chairman: Was the tincture of belladonna sold in a small phial filled from

the stock bottle?-Yes.

Fifteen of the prescriptions referred to had contained poison. She informed the boy that if he continued to sell medicines and dispense prescriptions he might be prejudicing his future career. At the head office of the company she was informed that the shop would be closed immediately.

Solicitor for the company asked the Society's inspector if a qualified man in the company's employ had not suggested he would make up the prescriptions and the boy would enter them in the book? T answer was "No.".

Mr. Quarrell: It has just been suggest that a pharmacist made up the prescri tions. Did the boy tell you he had d pensed them?—Yes.

The solicitor for the company stat that since the trouble there had been qualified pharmacist in charge at each the four branches and there was also

superintendent.

A director said the company's previo pharmacist had left on account of illne on November 28; a locum had been charge between December 17 and 23, at between December 24 and 30. The locu had left without notice. He (the director had been led to believe that a qualification man was supervising the dispensing.

The Chairman: Does your knowledge the rules by which we are guided bring th to your notice: that evidence may be r ceived by us by written and signed stat ment or statutory declaration? Have yo asked either the qualified man referred t or the boy, to make a statement in writin fortified by a statutory declaration, to the effect that the boy did not make up the prescriptions?—I wasn't aware of the particular point, or I should certainly have had that done.

The Chairman: Do you think they would make statutory declarations to that effect

The Chairman then said they would adjourn the case for the statutory declar tions to be produced.

Removal of Name Not Called For

The next case concerned a Salfot chemist, who did not attend the inquir and was not represented. Mr. Quarrell sai the man was convicted on August 5, 1942, having received stolen food to the value £8, for which he received a sentence eight months' hard labour. A police is spector said he knew nothing to the man detriment since he came out of prison; I

might be described as rather stupid.

The Chairman: You would agree that he is a man who could easily be led astray not by anybody, but certainly by the ma who made him accept these foodstuffs

-Yes.

An inspector of the Society said sh visited the shop on June 15 and November 11, and found it very dirty, with not muc pharmaceutical work.

The Chairman, announcing the Con

ttee's decision, said it was a sad and in any ways a sordid story, but on the whole ey had come to the conclusion that it is not a case in which the Committee was lled upon to order the removal of the me from the Register. A point he sired to emphasise, in case questions ight be raised in the future, was that, ving to a mistake for which neither the mmittee nor the Council, nor any of eir officers, were in any way responsible, formation as to the conviction had not me before the Council until some time ter the man had actually served his full rm of imprisonment and returned to his op. They felt they would not be justified, ter that lapse of time, in exercising to e full their powers against him.

Await Medical Certificate

The third case was that of a London emist who had been convicted in Scotad of offences under the Dangerous Drugs evaluations, 1027, and fined 48

Egulations, 1937, and fined £8.

Mr. Quarrell said that at the time aterial to the inquiry the man was acting qualified manager.

qualified manager.

An inspector of the Society said he found
a man in rather a pervous condition

e man in rather a nervous condition.

The superintendent of the London firm present employing the man said they are likely to keep him on.

Accused, speaking on his own behalf, mitted he had taken drugs to relieve pain used by a badly ulcerated leg.

The Chairman: Have you given up the actice of taking drugs?—Yes; I only

ok them to alleviate pain.

The Chairman said the man had told em quite frankly that there was a time hen he had been taking more drugs than as good for him for the purpose of killing e pain from his leg. In the eighteen onths since he had been in Scotland he d been virtually on trial, and the comittee was glad to think he had succeeded putting the habit behind him. He had rned the praise of the people who had nployed him during that time, and who ere prepared to continue to employ him. ighteen months was perhaps rather a ort period to be on trial, but the com-ittee wanted to help the man in any way ey could. They therefore asked him, at e end of six months, to come back with certificate from his medical attendant to e effect that, so far as the doctor could e, he had really cured himself of the abit of taking drugs. If he was prepared do this, they proposed not to do anying further about the matter that day.

C. & D. DISPENSING PRICE LIST

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fact that goods made of raw materials ort supply owing to war conditions are tised in this paper or described in its rial columns should not be taken as an ation that they are necessarily available port.

J.I.C. for Pharmacy

Ministry of Labour and National ce has just announced the formation composition of a Retail Pharmacy onal Joint Industrial Council (see D., October 30, p. 441). Negotiations been proceeding for some time een the trade unions and organisations aployers concerned in retail pharmacy a view to the establishment of a onal Joint Industrial Council for the trade. At a meeting held at the stry of Labour and National Service on ly, December 3, the new Council was ally constituted. At the beginning of proceedings Mr. M. S. McCorquodale, Joint Parliamentary Secretary of Ministry of Labour and National ce, addressed the representatives and ided the good wishes of the Minister e work of the new Council. Mr. J. N. ett and Mr. A. W. Thompson, repreng the Ministry of Health, also attended.

nisations Represented

e membership of the Joint Industrial cil will be composed of representatives sociations of employers and of trade as. Sir John Forster will act as the independent President and the first Chairman and Deputy Chairman will be Mr. G. A. Mallinson, M.P.S., and Mr. J. Gilmour, M.P.S., respectively. The organisations included in the membership of the Council are the National Pharmaceutical Union, the Company Chemists' Association, the Co-operative Union, Ltd., the London Employers' Association, the Retail Distributors' Association, the Multiple Shops Federation, the National Amalgamated Union of Shop Assistants, Warehousemen and Clerks, the National Union of Distributive and Allied Workers, the National Union of Co-operative Officials, the Association of Scientific Workers and the Chemical Workers' Union. The Joint Secretaries are Mr. G. M. Hann, Dilke House, Malet Street, London, W.C.I, and Mr. H. Noble, 4 Queen Square, London, W.C.I.

The scope of the Council will cover not only the regulation of wages and conditions, but also a wide range of subjects upon which joint consultation may be pursued, dealing with matters affecting the progress and well-being of retail pharmacy. There is a vast amount of useful work in front of the Retail Pharmacy N.J.I.C. At this juncture it is not for us to comment on some of the main points that will come up for consideration. In wishing good luck and a useful life to this entirely new organisation in the retail trade, we will content ourselves by saying "May wise counsel and forbearance and understanding of each others' difficulties prevail."

A War-time Essential

THE widely recognised value of The Chemist and Druggist Diary and Year Book as a means by which all engaged in the drug trade can keep abreast of fiscal, legal and other developments is perhaps at its greatest in the difficult days of war. The seventy-sixth issue of this unrivalled reference and record book, it will be admitted, suffers nothing by comparison with its predecessors. No apology is needed that the smaller page has again been dictated by the stringent paper situation, for this handy-sized Diary proved distinctly popular with readers last year. The sixtyfour editorial pages are tightly packed with useful matter, and it has again been found

necessary to encroach on the white pages to accommodate the postal information, which falls, however, most conveniently for reference at the immediate rear of the diary pages proper.

Special Articles

The loss apprentices and students must have felt owing to our inability to publish the usual Educational Number of THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST in August of the present year is largely made good by a fully descriptive article on "How to Become a Chemist," which describes the steps to be followed by intending pharmacists in Great Britain, in Northern Ireland and in Eire. It is to be hoped that proprietor pharmacists will bring this to the notice of any intending apprentices. Another subject dealt with at some length is the formation of a limited company. An article on the legal and other requirements appeared in the Diary a good many years ago, but many modifications have in the meantime be ome necessary. Many chemists are seeking guidance on this important subject today, and we are able to offer them full, accurate and up-to-the-minute information. employees and employers alike the method of deducting income tax from weekly wages has become of paramount interest since the introduction of the current year's Budget, and the basic method of calculation is outlined. The explanatory pages on the Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941, are again included, and it is urged upon every pharmacist to re-read these, because recent court cases have established rulings on, for example, the so-called "female" capsules and "tonic" wines which may upset previous practice in many retail businesses. Additions, adopted at the 1943 meeting of the Branch Representatives, to the Pharmaceutical Society's "Statement upon Matters of Professional Conduct" have also a bearing on the provisions of the Act.

Late Changes

Readers are asked to note the following additions, or post-publication changes, in the list of "Drug Trade Organisations":—

PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY OF NORTHERN IRELAND: President, Mr. J. T. Nicholl; Vice-president, Mr. C. Abernethy; Treasurer, Mr. James McDowell.

SOMERSET BRANCH, PHARMACEUT SOCIETY.—Secretary, Mr. D. H. Mc Ashcombe Pharmacy, Weston-super-Ma

Bradford Branch, National Phar CEUTICAL Union.—Secretary, Mr. A. Davy, Towngate Pharmacy, Idle.

Shropshire and Montgomerysi Branch, N.P.U.—Secretary, Mr. E. 1 gerrison, Market Street, Oakengates.

The following alteration should be m in "Public Offices and Associations":-

NATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL EMPLOY UNION.—Secretary, Mr. I. Duncan, Charterhouse Street, London, E.C.1.

Subscribers are asked not to write copies of the *Diary*. In present condit dispatch has to be spread over a per and delays are inevitable, but all w current subscriptions are paid may be q sure their copies will eventually arrive.

Nurses' Salaries

In its second report to the Minister Health (Cmd. 6487, H.M. Station Office, price 9d.), the Nurses' Sala Committee, under the chairmanship Rushcliffe, recommends Lord scales of salaries and emoluments nurses employed in the public he services; district nurses and midwi State Registered Nurses in day and dential nurseries; and male nurses emplo in hospitals or public assistance instituti The scales will affect about 17,000 nu in England and Wales, and when in operation will mean increases of sa totalling well over £500,000 a year. I follow increases totalling between £1,500 and £2,000,000 a year to female hosp nurses under the first report (C. & February 20, p. 198), and increases total over £250,000 for midwives other than the covered by the present Report. The C mittee recommends that the scales sho operate retrospectively from April I (w the new scales for female hospital nu and midwives came into force), and recommendations have been approved the Minister of Health, which is asking employing authorities to put them effect. The scales are subject to addition allowances to certain groups of nurses London and Metropolitan police district

THE CONTROL OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES

by Arthur Mortimer, O.B.E., M.P.S.

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ARTHUR MORTIMER gave the following ress entitled "The Ministry of Supply its Relation to the Pharmaceutical ustry" to members of the Pharmatical Society on December 9:—

an you, as pharmacists, imagine the otic state the country would be in during eriod of war without control and directly. When manpower, shipping space, sport and raw materials are being put other than normal uses it is essential there should be some organisation that take the task of ensuring that supplies being produced and delivered to the ess where they are necessary at the ropriate time.

he Ministry of Supply was formed bre the war to deal with the planning of

luction and supply of munitions of war everything appertaining to the Sers. The time came, however, when, due the exigencies of the situation, it was essary for a Directorate of Medical

plies to be inaugurated in 1940.

ou have only to look back to the time r to 1939 to realise how dependent this ntry was on Central Europe for vegele drugs and medicinal herbs, finished lucts on the chemical side, as well as rmediates for many processes. During 1914-18 war, prices of certain items red to astronomical heights—potassium manganate rose from 8d. per lb. to 21s. lb., potassium bromide from 2s. 2d. 14s. 3d., sodium salicylate from 2s. 1d. 24s., phenacetin from 5s. to more than per lb. During this war there has been paratively little increase in the price goods connected with the pharmaceutical ustry, and of essential medical supplies re has been no real shortage. You may e thought that this was due entirely to forethought and foresight of the trade. trade has certainly done a very great I to assist, but without the direction control, to which reference has already n made, the machine might have broken vn.

Enormous demands have been placed on certain raw materials for other than urmaceutical purposes, and enormous nands have been placed upon the pharceutical industry for adequate supplies the Services, our Allies, and in other ys where demands could legitimately be de. The Directorate of Medical Supplies, which is the branch of the Ministry dealing with those matters closely affecting the industry which you represent, has the enormous responsibility, in that it must be prepared to supply all the medical needs already referred to, as well as the hospitals and infirmaries of our own country, the pharmacists for National Health dispensing, and supplying the needs of the civilian population, the Empire and others for whom we have a moral responsibility, as well as the preparation of a stock pile so that Central Europe and other enemy-occupied territories can be supplied with medical requirements immediately hostilities have ceased.

It will be of interest for you to realise the scope of the term "medical supplies." It does not consist of medicines, drugs and pharmaceutical chemicals as you know them, but includes surgical instruments, dressings and accessories of all descriptions, optical and dental appliances, x-ray apparatus, and everything that would be necessary to fit up a medical unit, including surgical equipment, but excluding beds and bedding.

In order that the work could be accomplished satisfactorily, it was necessary that all technical posts should be filled by men and women with the necessary technical qualifications. The Directorate has taken this line from the commencement, and the large number of pharmacists, as well as other qualified technicians, employed in the Directorate are engaged on work which their training has made them particularly

suitable for handling.

Production has had to be planned and raw materials provided. Before that could begin a survey of the world drug position had to be made to find out which drugs were likely to be in short supply because of the geographical centres from which they came, and to inquire into alternative sources of those drugs where available. It was necessary to arrange shipping routes, and in some cases to purchase drugs from countries that could supply. In some cases it was necessary to arrange production of certain vegetable drugs and herbs where climatic conditions were favourable. It was also necessary to arrange for the collection in our own country of such things as grow wild which could be collected. The quantity of dried vegetable drugs and herbs collected in this country during the current year will

exceed 250 tons medicinal herbs, and 500

tons rose hips.

The Vegetable Drugs Committee was set up by the Ministry of Health to assist in this work. On this Committee the services of Dr. Wallis have been much valued and appreciated. There has been considerable co-operation with the Central Pharmaceutical War Committee in helping to ensure that pharmacists on the manufacturing side should be available.

It was essential to find what stocks there were of all kinds of things likely to be in short supply in this country, and how best to utilise those stocks for the common good.

It may be said that it was unfair to take the stocks which wholesale houses and manufacturers had, by their forethought, arranged to have in the country, but it must not be forgotten that they were requested, in many cases, to keep larger stocks than usual, and an indication of the amount they should obtain was given in many instances.

The export trade had to be watched, and though in the early days of the war encouragement was given to increase exports, even to the extent of injuring the home trade, the time came when the export trade had to be curtailed. Even now there is a reasonable amount of export trade continuing, but where the raw materials involved are in short supply, it has been seriously interfered with or cut off alto-

gether. Imports required careful watching. Encouragement was given to the importation of those articles which were considered necessary in war-time, and for this purpose the advice of the Ministry of Health and the Medical Research Council was taken. It must be clearly remembered that the Directorate of Medical Supplies is purely a supply department, not an advisory department. The Directorate must see that the articles considered necessary by the medical authorities shall be there when required.

There was, with the close co-operation and collaboration of the Board of Trade, a limited control kept on both exports and imports. This has been a great advantage to the trade, in that it has assisted in keeping prices to a proper level, and ensuring that adequate supplies of necessary articles were available.

Allocation of raw materials has had to take place in order to prevent misuse of articles in short supply. For iastance, cotton has to be allocated for surgical dressings. Steel, copper, rubber, glass and many other

articles, which are required for surginstruments, have to be allocated. If there is the question of steel for pleach case has to be considered on its meand is dealt with by a special Commi of the Board of Trade, which handles plant applications with the advice of department concerned. It has meant a rationing has had to take place for marticles and controls have had to be plaupon the use to which certain materican be put.

The Directorate has most fortuna had the goodwill of the trade, so tha has been able to accomplish all that it done without any large increase in p and without running out of stocks essential materials. It has only had introduce one statutory rule and order control of quinine and cinchona), the has been done entirely by the goodwil the pharmaceutical industry of the coun

There is a contracts branch which d with all contracts placed for supplies to Services and others; but this is not dire under the control of the Directorate Medical Supplies, yet it is in constant to with the Department.

A staff of qualified inspectors exam the materials and finished products; take the pharmacopæial standard as tworking model. This is work that requ tact and skill as well as the absolute flessness which comes when a man knhis work and that he is doing his duty.

You will see that there is a responsible placed on the Directorate to ensure the plant and production questions are dwith and that labour is protected in so as that is coupled with the demands much by the Ministry of Labour for war purpo

There must be a considerable amoun co-ordination of supplies in order that Empire and our Allies and friendly neut are not left in the lurch. We have forms supplied many of these with their med necessities, and we have a duty to sh what we have at the present time.

Then there is the question of the Lea Lend procedure which was instituted the United States to give this country great deal of help which was sorely need Lease-Lend was intended primarily munitions of war—medical supplies certain purposes are regarded as munitiof war, and as a result many articles co to this country from America under the tarrangement. Lease-Lend, however, reciprocal in that we supply goods to United States Army and to certain theat of war. This is done with the object

ng shipping and transport, and at the e time of using our common supplies

ur common advantage.

he number of items for which the ctorate is responsible is well over ooo, without adding the enormous ber of varieties, kinds and sizes. It is etimes difficult to decide which article t have priority over all others, or which should have priority in certain cases. only sound basis on which this can be ded is if the answer to the question this essential to the war effort?" is in affirmative.

will be realised that in the Ministry of ply there are many controls which deal raw materials required in medicine. instance, alcohol, amyl acetate, acetone, and steel, mercury, bromine, as well nany other metals and raw materials. re is a close liaison between all the ions in the Ministry so that the proper cation can be made for medicinal uses. here is also a close liaison with the istry of Health and the Medical Research ncil, from whom advice is received as he essentiality of medical supplies.

he Ministry of Food, which controls ose, sugar, saccharin, oils and fats, os and many other things used in phary, is constantly in touch with the

ectorate. he Mines Department, which is respone for coal tar, and all coal-tar products, been responsible for seeing that adete supplies of phenol were available for the necessary purposes for which phenol equired. Its major use during the war been for certain plastics employed in raft production. No phenol has been cated for plastics for non-essential pursince the Coal-tar Control tituted.

By far the largest use of phenol on the dicinal side is in the manufacture of cylates. It is used in dyestuffs, and in ny other trades, but there has never been

hortage for medicinal use.

Vaccines and sera are also the responsiof this Directorate, and planned duction has had to be on an unpreented scale; it will be interesting to e that there are well over 1,200 horses d for the manufacture of antitoxins

d sera. There is one point which might easily be erlooked: that is the question of medical earch. Should medical research be conued in war-time? In so far as it has en possible to deal with articles which re essential for the war effort, the medical

research which started before the war has been encouraged. You have only to read the report of the chief medical officer of the Ministry of Health to realise that the health of the nation is remarkably good, and the report of the Secretary of State for War, that the health of the Army is remarkable. It cannot be forgotten that in past wars, for instance in the South African war, more people died from disease than were actually killed in battle. Most of the great military campaigns of the past have been settled by disease rather than force of arms. In order to control preventable disease, such as dysentery, typhoid, malaria and similar virulent and terrible diseases, it has been necessary for work to be done on a big scale. Hygiene and medicine have gone hand in hand in preventing these diseases. The medical services of the Forces and of the country cannot be too highly praised for the work they have done in maintaining the health and efficiency of the nation and the troops. It must be realised that medical ability, great though it is, can only be as good as the knowledge which medical and scientific research allow it to be. We have continued to provide, within the scope of the Department, the necessary raw materials and plant for research on approved lines, so that the very best could be provided for those who needed it.

As you will be well aware, the panacea for malaria was, prior to the war, quinine. Since the capture of Java, from which 95 per cent. of the world's quinine came, we have had to find other treatments and synthetic products to take the place of this valuable drug. We are now manufacturing mepacrine on such a scale that dose for dose we and America are providing more than double the amount of quinine that ever came out of Java in a peak year.

Great advances have been made in new chemicals and drugs that are largely used by the forces at present, but will be available for the country and the world as a

whole when hostilities cease.

Penicillin

Though penicillin (Fleming pronounces it penny-sil-in," with the accent on the "sil" in the U.S.A. it is pronounced "pen-isillin" with the accent on the "is"), and its young relative patulin cannot really be called products of war research, they have certainly been developed during the war period.

Penicillin was the name given Professor Fleming of St. Mary's Hospital to the antibacterial substance produced from the spores of the mould, Penicillium notatum. Penicillium has been known for a very long time, and some of the moulds have been used in country districts for generations in the form of ointment.

It was in 1929 that Fleming discovered the particular substance to which he gave the name penicillin, and realised that it had powerful antiseptic properties which acted on certain micro-organisms such as hæmolytic streptococci and the gonococcus. He was not able at that time to concentrate the preparation, and working with it in a fluid medium. It was not until Professor Florey and his colleagues at Oxford revived the work on penicillin that it was realised how important this drug

was going to be.

It is so powerful that it would inhibit sensitive organisms in dilutions of one in fifty millions to one in a hundred millions, and morphological effects on the streptococcus have been seen even when it was diluted to one in 250 millions. It might be considered to be an acid radical, as sodium and calcium salts can be produced. It is a definite chemical substance, but its synthesis has not yet been completed. Its action is bacteriostatic rather than bactericidal. It is not toxic so far as can be discovered. It is destroyed by boiling, and certain oxidising agents, such as hydrogen peroxide, and by certain heavy metal ions such as copper and lead. During its manufacture great care has to be taken, as there must be neither acids or alkalis in any vessel in which penicillin is handled. It is not inhibited by pus, which is of great importance in explaining how results have been obtained in purulent infections.

It is excreted rapidly in the urine and more slowly in saliva and bile, but there is no indication that it is excreted in pancreatic juice or tears. Absorption is rapid from muscle and subcutaneous tissue and from the small intestine. It cannot be given by the stomach because of the acid most stomachs contain, nor by the rectum on account of bacteria. It is administered intraveneously, or directly on to surface wounds. It is measured in what are known as Oxford units, and the doses given vary from a few hundred units to two millions

according to the type of case.

Professor Florey recently said in a lecture to the Royal Society that he had used it in the treatment of war casualties in North Africa, a report of which has appeared in the pharmaceutical Press.

With regard to its manufacture, the firms in this country which were working on it at

the request of the Directorate of Medi Supplies agreed to pool all their knowled and information. The scientific work both at the Universities in the laborator in different parts of the country, and laboratories of the manufacturers, Profes Fleming, Professor Florey, and everyo concerned, agreed to do the same.

Penicillin Committee

A Penicillin Committee was set up encourage production, and consideral success has already been achieved. present, however, all that is available taken up by the Clinical Trials Commit and the research chemists for their u and a certain amount is going to Services, such as that which went w Professor Florey to North Africa. There none for public consumption, and there not likely to be any until the product produced synthetically.

It should be remembered, however, the penicillin, like sulphanilamide, is not "cure all."

You may be interested in a few facts illustrate the tremendous demands whi the Directorate is now making, and whi are being met by the pharmaceutic industry. It is estimated that more th 1,500 million tablets, excluding hypodern tablets, will have been purchased by t military for Service requirements. Most these tablets are 5-gr. tablets, and it estimated that placed end to end th would stretch from London to Sydney, v the Mediterranean, or to adopt anoth basis, the weight of these tablets is equal 480 tons—the equivalent of the tonnage bombs dropped on London in the heavie raid vet.

It only remains to show that the pha maceutical colleagues, as well as no technical colleagues, of the Directorate Medical Supplies have pulled together as team in such a way that not only has the been the least possible amount of friction with the various trades concerned, by supplies have been kept up in a way f superior to what happened during the 1914-18 war, but prices have been ker down. This has largely been due to the planned production, forethought, visic and energy of the Directorate of Medica

Supplies.

Clear Out -Now is the time to clear or waste paper for repulping and turning int munitions. Your collection of waste pape may make all the difference in 1944.

NATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL UNION

TINGS of the Executives of the National maceutical Union and Chemists' Debassociation were held in London on ember 23, Mr. T. Heseltine in the chair. Chairman congratulated Mr. Tristram his co-option as a member of the ncil of the Pharmaceutical Society. Secretary reported receipt of a letter the secretary of the Proprietary cles Trade Association acknowledging suggestions of the N.P.U. Executive reorganisation of the P.A.T.A.

t Industrial Council

report was received of a meeting of esentatives of the employers' side of proposed Joint Industrial Council for all Pharmacy, at the Ministry of our on October 29, and the proposals forward by the employers at this ting were approved. It was resolved ffer the use of the N.P.U. council room meetings of the proposed Council, and Messrs. Hearle, Heseltine, Mallinson, rn and Tristram should be appointed spresent the N.P.U.

delegate conference held in London October 29, and attended by Messrs. J. Tristram and H. Noble on behalf of N.P.U., to initiate a Council of Retail lers was reported on. Further support the N.P.U. will depend on the contion, which is to be prepared by a

visional committee.

ch Batteries

report of a conference at the Board of de on the distribution of torch and cycle p batteries was received. The N.P.U. been represented at the conference by srs. E. A. Brocklehurst and R. H. Kemp. was stated that much larger quantities cond-class batteries would be available.

ional Pharmaceutical Service

HE SECRETARY reported the receipt of the rmaceutical Society, dated November 6, gesting an early meeting of the Joint mittee on National Medical Service. calling of this meeting was approved, its deferment until the Government's posals were available for consideration recommended.

HE SECRETARY reported receipt of a

HE SECRETARY reported receipt of a er from the Ministry of Health promising ention to a complaint from the Central I.I. Committee about shortages of aplasma kaolini and ephedrine. A letter

of thanks for the congratulations of the Executive was received from Mrs. Lloyd George on behalf of herself and her husband. A letter from the Ministry of Health stated that the Minister had decided that future expenses of district pharmaceutical war committees should not be a charge upon the funds of the district Pharmaceutical Committees, which should seek reimbursement through the Central Pharmaceutical War Committee.

A conference of leading trade organisations at the Board of Trade on November 12, called to decide what advice should be given to the President of the Board of Trade as to the future of the Location of Retail Businesses Order, was reported on. The secretary, who had attended on behalf of the N.P.U., said it appeared to be the intention of the Government to continue some control after the war with a system of priorities for ex-Service men, etc.

War Funds

THE SECRETARY reported that two new claims had been notified since the previous meeting of the Executive. One had been completed by payment of £12, and £9 had so far been paid in the other case. A further £29 had been paid in respect of a claim in hand at the time of the previous meeting. No new claims on the War Distress Fund had been received, and subscriptions to this Fund totalled £24,834.

Chemists' Defence Association

Settlements confirmed by the directors varied from payments of £220 to dispose of a claim arising out of the supply of eye-drops to a payment of £4 in respect of a damaged accumulator. A number of other settlements arose out of personal injuries to members of the public (one involving a payment of £60) and other third-party risks. The virtual disappearance of the cycling errand-boy claim as a feature of the monthly reports was noted, but the potentiality of heavy claims arising in this connexion was evidenced by a substantial claim in respect of personal injuries to three individuals when a taxi overturned in attempting to avoid an accident alleged to be due to the default of a member's errand boy. Three members were defended against Food and Drugs Act summonses, each case being dismissed on a warranty defence. Dismissal of a summons under the Lighting (Restrictions) Order was also secured.

CHEMISTS' FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

A MEETING of the council of the Chemists' Friends Association was held in London on November 24, the president (Mr. J. D. Bohn) in the chair. The treasurer's report and statement of accounts for the month ended October 31 was received and approved.

Manufacturers' Representation

THE SECRETARY reported that all C.F. manufacturers had been invited to submit nominations in writing for eight representatives on the council in 1944. The only nominations received had been in respect of the eight existing members, and a ballot would therefore be unnecessary.

Scottish Matters

A request from the Scottish C.F. committee that a firm of Scottish chemists should be placed on the C.F. stop list was rejected because it was considered the grounds for this drastic action were insufficient. The council reconsidered applications that had been previously before them by two wholesale chemists in Scotland for acceptance as approved distributors by wholesale. About one it was resolved to make no amendment to the previous decision, but the secretary was instructed to make further inquiries from the other as to business done with retail chemists.

Approval Sought

A London firm of sundriesmen, which had previously applied for approval without success, asked for reconsideration of its former application; the council confirmed its previous decision. A C.F. wholesaler notified his intention to open a new branch warehouse in the near future, and sought permission to include this address in the approved list. The secretary was instructed to make further inquiries.

Interim Report on Rules

THE CHAIRMAN submitted an interim report of the rules committee, and the secretary was instructed to thank British Colloids, Ltd., for assistance given in placing the advice of their solicitors at the disposal of the committee.

The council considered a proposal for a co-operative publicity scheme to be financed from a fund to be administered by the C.F. Association, and instructed the propaganda committee to examine the proposal in detail. Mr. Godding was co-opted to the committee for the purpose.

Council's Report

The council considered matters arisi out of the agenda of the eighth annumeeting of C.F. manufacturers (see below which was to follow that meeting. T final copy of the annual report of t council for 1943 was received and approve Twenty-seven applications for maintenan of supply of C.F. products to business temporarily converted into drug-stores we considered. Twenty-four were accepte one refused, and two referred back.

Manufacturers' Annual Meeting

The eighth annual meeting of Chemist Friends manufacturers was held in Londo on November 24, the president of the C.I Association (Mr. J. D. Bohn) in the chai Sixty manufacturers were represented THE CHAIRMAN presented the annual repor of the council, and proposed its adoptior this was carried unanimously. Mr. Mai LINSON, on behalf of the council, reviewe the circumstances, legal and otherwis-that had prevented the enforcement durin the year of the C.F. window-displa conditions approved by C.F. manufacturer at their previous annual meeting, an suggested that manufacturers present woul be well advised to confirm their previou decision, and authorise the council t enforce the conditions if and when cir cumstances should permit. This suggestion was proposed, seconded, and carried wit only two dissentients. THE CHAIRMAN gave an undertaking that the council would communicate with manufacturers before the window condition was enforced. The meeting considered a recommendation by the council that the Association should be registered as a trade union in accordance with the provisions of the Trade Unior Acts. Mr. Mallinson explained the legal position, and outlined the advantages that would accrue from such revision of the constitution and rules. It was proposed, seconded, and carried unanimously that the council should be authorised to make the necessary amendments and register the Association as a trade union. The following eight firms were formally re-elected to represent manufacturers on the council: Allen & Hanburys, Ltd.; British Colloids, Ltd.; The British Drug Houses, Ltd.; Evans Sons Lescher & Webb, Ltd.; Genatosan, Ltd.; Meggeson & Co., Ltd.; Parke, Davis & Co.; Westminster Laboratories, Ltd. A vote of thanks to Mr. Bohn was proposed by Mr. HEARLE and carried.

TRADE REPORT

ot quotations for pharmaceutical chemicals, crude drugs and essential oils represent e prices for wholesale quantities of standard quality. C.i.f. quotations do not include arine war risk insurance and other abnormal charges payable in the present emergency

28 Essex Street, W.C.2, December 8

HILE business at this time of year norally shows some signs of falling off, most ports agree that conditions in the London ug and chemical markets have been ceptionally quiet during the past week. some instances the smallness of existing cks makes business difficult, but even items in reasonable supply only moderate antities of goods have changed hands. ices on the whole are being firmly mainned, with fluctuations confined to small vements either way. Prices in the ARMACEUTICAL CHEMICALS section have nained level throughout the week, anher indiction of the remarkable stability t has characterised this section of the rkets during recent months.

ade Drugs

Generally quiet conditions obtain in these rkets, with the demand mostly for allish quantities of spot goods. Prices firm, and in some cases show a slight dency to rise. Limited supplies of AGAR y still be obtained by approved users for teriological purposes. No stocks of CAPE es may be had at present. ARECA NUTS now available on spot. Balsams are hout quotable change on the week. VZOIN is selling steadily but in limited New allocations have been nted for Buchu Leaves. Allocations have been made to regular buyers of CASCARA RADA at the price previously announced & D., October 16, p. 396). Only nbasa Chillies are being offered. The ket for SPICES is generally dull, with business passing. Spot supplies of white Colocynth pulp are still avail-Gum elemi remains exceedingly ce. Kordofan Gum Acacia is cheaper an inactive market. The position of ACUANHA remains as previously out-1. Little business is being done in THOL at the controlled prices. RHUB is in fair demand at unchanged rates. quiet conditions are noted for SEEDS, the market generally dull. All grades RAGACANTH are steady at the prices n last week. Valerian root has a er higher tendency. CARNAUBA WAX is er, with market conditions showing e improvement,

Essential Oils

Little of importance has occurred in this section during the week. Modest sales continue to be transacted in those "free" oils that remain in stock, but the range and quantities are rapidly diminishing in the absence of fresh supplies. No new information has come to hand regarding "controlled" oils, prices of which are unchanged. Anise (star) is reported to be firm and in good demand, with the price asked by holders tending higher. English distillers of Clove are quoting at unchanged rates. Eucalyptus is not plentiful, but prices are without alteration. Peppermint is quiet, with available supplies of "free" oil commanding a high price. As noted last week, there is no change in Oils and Fats for the period ending January 1, 1944.

Pharmaceutical Chemicals

ACETANILIDE.—Crystals may be had at 2s. 5d. per lb., and powder at 2s. 6d.

ALLOBARBITONE.—Steady at makers' price of 60s. per lb.

AMPHETAMINE.—Makers' quotations are unchanged at about 150s. per lb.

BORAX.—Makers quote as follows: B.P., granulated, £39 ros. per ton; crystal, £40 ros.; powder, £41, packed in one-cwt. bags; carriage paid in Great Britain, in one-ton lots and upwards. Commercial quality, £8 per ton less.

BRUCINE.—Quoted by makers at the following prices per oz.: Alkaloid.—Under 25 oz., is. 4½d.; 25 oz. and under 100 oz., is. 4d.; 100 oz. and under 500 oz., is. 3½d. Nitrate and Sulphate.—Under 25 oz., is. 3½d.; 25 oz. and under 100 oz., is. 3d.; 100 oz. and under 500 oz., is. 2½d.

CITRATES.—Makers' prices per lb. for Potassium, in lots of 28 lb.—I cwt., are as follows (containers in brackets): 3s. 2½d. (1-lb.); 3s. Id. (4-lb.); 3s. (7-lb.); 2s. II½d. (14-lb.); 2s. IId. (28-lb.). IRON AND AMMONIUM (SCALES), B.P., is at 3d. per lb. above, and SODIUM is at Id. per lb. below these prices.

COCAINE.—British makers' current wholesale prices are as follows: *HYDROCHLORIDE and NITRATE, 25 Oz. and over, 35s. 8d.; 16 Oz. and less than 25 Oz., 36s. 10d.; over 8 Oz. and less than 16 Oz., 38s. per Oz. Alkaloid, CITRATE and SALICYLATE, 25 Oz. and over, 39s. 1d.; 16 Oz. and less than 25 Oz., 40s. 4d.; over 8 Oz. and less than 16 Oz., 41s. 7d. per Oz., 16-Oz. and less than 25 Oz., 40s. 4d.; over 8 Oz. and less than 25 Oz., 40s. 4d.; over 8 Oz. and less than 3 Oz., 41s. 7d. per Oz., 16-Oz. and less than 16 Oz., 41s. 7d. per Oz., 16-Oz. and less than 25 Oz., 40s.; 4 Oz. and less than 7 Oz., 90s.; 4 Oz. and less than 7 Oz., 40s.; 4 Oz. and less than 7 Oz.,

40s. 7d.; 2 oz. and less than 4 oz., 41s. 6d.; 1 oz. and less than 2 oz., 42s. 7d.; ½ oz. and less than r oz., 44s. 2d.; ½ oz. and less than r oz., 44s. 3d. per oz. ALKALOID, CITRATE and SALICYLATE, 8 oz., 43s. 5d.; 4 oz. and less than 8 oz., 44s.; 2 oz. and less than 4 oz., 44s. 11d.; 1 oz. and less than 2 oz., 45s. 2d.; ½ oz. and less than 1 oz., 47s. 9d.; ½ oz. and less than ½ oz., 5os. 1od. per oz., packages extra. Re-sale: Sales are subject to buyers' undertaking not to re-sell any quantity below current scale. Export prices vary according to destination.

CREAM OF TARTAR.—British makers quote at 262s. per cwt., less 2½ per cent. discount.

MORPHINE.—Current prices per oz. for small quantities are as follows: Alkaloid, ½ oz., 53s.; I oz., 5os. 6d.; 2 oz., 49s.; 3 oz., 48s. 3d.; 4 oz., 48s. Hydrochloride, ½ oz., 43s. 9d.; I oz., 41s. 3d.; 2 oz., 39s. 9d.; 3 oz., 39s.; 4 oz., 38s. 9d.

Phenolphthalein.—Steady at makers' prices. Less than 7 lb., 4s. 6d. per lb.; 7 lb., 4s. 5d.; 14 lb., 4s. 4d.; 28 lb., 4s. 3d.; 1 cwt., 4s. 2d.

PILOCARPINE.—Quotations per oz. are as follows: BASE, 1 oz., 27s.; 4 oz., 21s. 3d.; 4 oz., 20s. 9d.; 25 oz., 20s. 3d.; NITRATE, 1 oz., 18s. 6d.; 4 oz., 18s.; 25 oz., 17s. 6d.

POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE.—Makers continue to quote B.P. quality at is. iod. per lb.

Crude Drugs

AGAR.—Approved users can obtain small supplies for bacteriological purposes at from 65s. to 75s. per lb.

ALOES.—Spot price of Curação remains at 470s. to 480s. per cwt.; shipment, 360s. to 370s., c.i.f. No supplies of Cape are available at present.

Antimony.—English minimum 99 per cent. regulus is priced at £120 per ton, delivered, but supplies are reserved for essential purposes; 70 per cent. crude, for the home trade, £100 per ton, delivered.

Areca nuts.—Supplies are now available on spot at 110s. per cwt.

Balsams.—Limited supplies of softish *Tolu* may be obtained on spot at 15s. 6d. per lb.; *Canada* is steady at ros. 6d.; *Peru*, 8s. 3d., duty paid: *Copaiba* is unobtainable.

BELLADONNA.—Spot quotations for Indian leaf and root are steady at 5s. 3d. to 5s. 6d., and 4s. to 4s. 6d., per lb., respectively, according to test.

Benzoin.—Small but steady business in Sumatra block at £25 per cwt., on spot. Free "almonds," £35:

BUCHU LEAVES.—New allocations have now been granted.

CAMPHOR.—Approved buyers can obtain Chinese crude (93 per cent.) at 10s. per lb., and B.P. at 11s. 6d.

Cardamoms.—No change in any description. Aleppy greens, spot, 5s. 6d. per lb.; Aleppy seed, 6s. 6d.; split seed, 5s. 6d.

CASCARA SAGRADA.—Allocations have now been made at 260s. per cwt, for regular buyers

CHAULMOOGRA.—Hydnocarpus, spot, tins in cases, is. 7d. per lb.; afloat, is. 3d. per lb., c.i.f

CHILLIES.—The only variety offered is Mombasa, which may be had on spot at the unchanger price of 120s, per cwt.

CLOVES.—Spot quotation for Zanzibar re mains at 1s. 5½d. per lb.; second quality, to arrive, 1od. per lb., c.i.f., sellers.

COCHINEAL.—Blacks may be had for medicinal use only at 4s. 6d. per lb.

Cocoa Butter.—Maximum official prio remains at 1s. 5½d. per lb., ex factory or ware house, except for sales made under Ministr of Food licence.

COCONUT (DESICCATED).—The price fixed by Order remains at 49s. per cwt.

COLOCYNTH.—Fine white pulp may be had of spot at 3s. 3d. per lb., duty paid.

DIGITALIS LEAVES.—English-grown leaf i steady on spot at 2s. 6d. per lb.; Portugues leaf, spot, 135s. per cwt.

Dragon's Blood.—The only variety avail able at present is dull Zanzibar drop, which mabe obtained on spot at £21 per cwt.

ELEMI.—Supplies of No. 1 gum are difficult t find at present.

Ergot.—Sound material is quoted on spot a 5s. 9d. per lb.; wormy, 5s. 6d.; shipmen 4s. 9d. per lb., c.i.f.

GALANGAL ROOT.—Quoted at 100s. per cwt in bond Liverpool.

GINGER.—Exports of ginger from Sierr Leone to the United Kingdom in July amounte to 172,480 lb.

Gum acacia.—Market inactive. Kordofa cleaned sorts, easier on spot at 85s. per cwt bleached, shipment, 140s., c.i.f. Talha, cleaned 50s. per cwt., landed terms.

Henbane leaves.—Spot quotations for Indian leaves range between 200s. and 350 per cwt., according to test. Russian leaves, 1 approved buyers, 3s. 6d. per lb.

IPECACUANHA.—No change in the position a primarily outlined. Current prices of ExIPECAC. LIQ. are as follows: Winchesters, B.P. 1932, under three, 32s. 6d. per lb.; three an under six, 32s.; six and under twelve, 31s. 6d twelve and over, 31s.; B.P., 1914, under thre 30s. 6d.; three and under six, 30s.; six an under twelve, 29s. 6d.; twelve and over, 29 per lb.; all prices quoted are on a net basis.

Jalap.—Brazilian root testing 15 per cen is quoted on spot at 117s. 6d. per cwt.

KAMALA.—Dealers would require is. 90 per lb. for material testing about 5 per cent.

Liquorice Root.—Approved buyers ca obtain Russian root for pharmaceutical purpos at 75s. per cwt.; cut Russian root, for not pharmaceutical purposes, 96s. 6d. per cwt.

MENTHOL.—Some small spot parcels may be available at 95s. per lb.

MERCURY.—Official spot quotations range m £68 10s. to £69 15s. per flask, according conditions and quantity, with higher rates

smaller lots and redistilled grades.

MYRRH.—Spot supplies of good-quality Aden ts may be had at £20 per cwt.

Nux vomica.—Steady and unchanged. ashed and garbled Cochin, spot, 42s. 6d. to s. per cwt., according to seller; shipment, s., c.i.f. Cocanada, spot, 37s. 6d. per cwt.; pment, 32s. 6d., c.i.f.

ORANGE PEEL.—Spanish bitter quarters are oted on spot at 4s. 3d. per lb.; good-quality

n-cut, 4s. 6d.

PEPPERS.—Maximum prices of whole, not ked over or cleaned, on sale to processors, : 1s. 4d. per lb. for white, and is. per lb. black, both duty paid.

PIMENTO.—Spot, is. 9d. per lb., sellers;

pment prices are not quoted.
The Jamaican pimento crop for 1943 is estimated at 2000 to 30,000 bags, compared with 45,000 bags in preceding year.

PODOPHYLLUM.—Spot supplies are exhausted, d shipments are not forthcoming.

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SQUILL.—Portuguese bulb is quoted on spot 80s. per cwt., and Indian at 72s. 6d.

TRAMONIUM LEAVES:—Quoted by dealers at . per cwt., ex store.

ткорнантния.—Spot price of Kombé 100 per it, seed remains at ios. to ios. 6d. per lb., ording to quantity.

RAGACANTH.—Demand steady; values unnged. The principal medium grades are bried as follows: No. 1, white, £130 per cwt.;
2, white, £115; No. 3, white, £102; No. 4,
ite, £83; pale leaf, £65; amber leaf, £55;
k amber, £40; brown leaf, £30; red-andwn leaf, £28; red leaf, from £22; hoggy, m f.12 to f.15.

CURMERIC.—Madras finger, sound-quality, t, 57s. 6d. per cwt.; wormy, 55s.

VALERIAN ROOT.—Indian root is selling slowly spot at 100s. per cwt., ex store.

VAXES.—BEES'.—Obtainable only through Association of Merchant Distributors of SWAX. CARNAUBA.—Rather better condi-is obtain with prices a shade dearer. Fatty y, spot, 425s.; chalky grey, 415s.; Primeira, s. per cwt.

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Lemongrass.—Present spot price of any available supplies would be in the region of 13s. 6d. per lb.

NUTMEG.—Oil from West Indian nutmegs is quoted on spot at about 42s. per lb.

Palm.—Official price of refined deodorised remains at £55 per ton and that of refined hardened deodorised at £58 per ton, both naked ex works.

PALM KERNEL.—Bulk supplies are officially priced as follows: Refined deodorised, £49 per ton; hardened refined deodorised, £53 per ton, both naked ex works.

Patchouli.—Any available spot supplies of good-quality oil would be worth about 72s. 6d. per lb.

PEPPERMINT.—Spot price of any available supplies of Chinese oil would be about 120s.

Petitgrain.—In small compass on spot; price, around 25s. per lb.

CORRESPONDENCE

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Homoeopathic Doses

SIR,—I feel indebted to Messrs. E. L. N. Nelson and D. W. Everitt for their replies (C. & D., December 4, p. 582) to my letter about homœopathic doses of aconite. I would like them to know that, long years ago, it was my privilege for three years to be engaged in preparing, dispensing and retailing homœopathic products; this experience surely enables me to draw conclusions not of an irresponsible nature as suggested, and excludes the need for a "flying start." Certainly it is not my intention to "put my foot in it" (homœopathically) again. My straying from the fold is fortified by present-day ideas and results. Perhaps I should have signed myself "Excelsior," but I adhere to the pseudonym

Our New Secret Society

SIR,—Your recent and timely allusions to the undemocratic method adopted by the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society to secure advanced fees from the remaining heavily overworked pharmacists is to be very heartily commended. As you point out, the whole thing was "managed" at the last meeting of the Council in camera. But the unfortunate chemist is left to presume that it was unanimous. Is this another thing done "on the quiet," as so many other things have been done in the last ten years? It was quite obvious that such a move was contemplated in advance, and the decision coolly taken. Any observer looking through the columns of your valued weekly can see chemists advertising their pharmacies for sale, with chartered accountants' figures, on a return of 24-27½ per cent.; and this is what pharmacy is coming to-when boom wages are being paid to the lowest kind of labour. Reverse this last sentence, and the argument can still be made to hold good for the overworked panel chemist-the lowest possible wage for a highly responsible service. How, then, can the Council of the Society justify its act? Does the Council imagine that the declining numbers of private chemists are waxing so rich that they can afford an extra annuity? I have regularly contributed to the Society's various funds-so my letter is one of regret at the Council's undemocratic spirit.

Yours faithfully,

Chagford.

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Society and Central Committee

SIR,—"Sylwiad" in a letter in your l issue (p. 582) asked what is the relationsl of the Central Pharmaceutical War Co mittee to the Pharmaceutical Society. answer is that the Committee is appoint by the Council, but once appointed a independently as an advisory body to Ministry of Health, and the Council has responsibility for its recommendations the Ministry. "Sylwiad" further sugge that the letter recently sent to cert pharmacists amounts to "selling" th "lock, stock and barrel." This is a grav unjustified accusation against the ret subcommittee of the Central Committ which is engaged in a most difficult a distasteful public duty in seeking to ha the available pharmaceutical manpov allotted by the responsible Ministries in best interests of the civilian population Two facts must be borne in mind. Fir everyone to whom this letter has been se is liable either to service in the Forces und the National Service Acts or to direct under the Registration for Employme Order, and if he does not desire to accord the proposals of the Committee can elto be dealt with under the Acts or the Ord on the same basis as others of his as secondly, every man receiving a directi to another post is entitled to appeal again the direction on grounds of hardship. is regrettably true that some of those w move to other posts will be affected fina cially, but they are in this respect in p cisely the same position as all others of t same age who may be recruited into t Forces or directed into new employme and they have the facilities for finance adjustments which have been provided Statute. The retail subcommittee of t C.P.W.C. includes among its member representatives of the Council of the Socie the chairman and secretary of the Nation Pharmaceutical Union, pharmacist member of the two trade unions, and representative of the companies; its composition shot guarantee that the advice tendered to t Government is founded upon a comp hensive understanding of the personal a pharmaceutical problems of the individua affected.-Yours faithfully,

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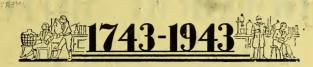
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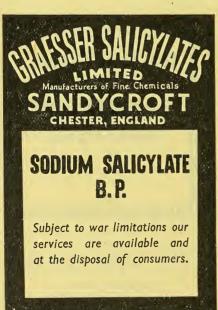
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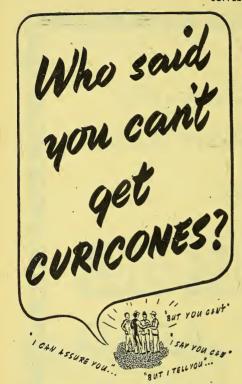
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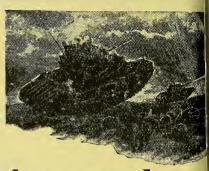
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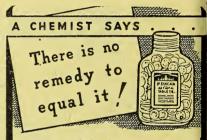


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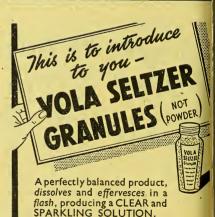
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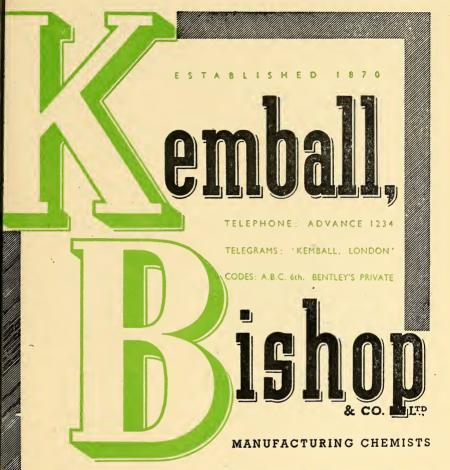
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